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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/816,193  
Applicant(s) : Nicholas Gerald GREY  
Filed : April 2, 2004  
TC/A.U. : 1744  
Examiner : Laura C. Cole  
Title : SURFACE CLEANING APPARATUS  
Docket No. : 100103.52683US

Confirmation No. 7523

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-145

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR § 1.102(d)  
ON THE BASIS OF ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests that application 10/816,193 be examined on an expedited basis by way of grant of this Petition. This Petition is accompanied by a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, and the Petition fee under 37 § CFR 1.17(h). Applicant requests that the Petition fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

This request is based on actual infringement. Further to that regard, the undersigned states as follows:

1. It is believed that there is an infringing device or product actually on the market or method in use. A copy of the instruction booklet from the actually infringing device is attached to this Petition.
  
2. A rigid comparison of the device believed to be infringing the claims of this application has been made against the claims, and in the opinion of the undersigned, at least some of the claims of this application are unquestionably infringed.

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**PETITION GRANTED**

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